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MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted]

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FROM: Walter Elder
Executive Secretary, NFIB/NFIC

SUBJECT: DCIDs

1. I thank you and [redacted] for setting up a very useful meeting with you and other DDO representatives on 3 June 1982.

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2. My expectation is that I will shortly receive written responses on [redacted] telling me what I can do and can't do and when and why. The sooner I get this advice the better.

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3. The question of retaining NSCIDs still leaves me in a quandry. Are we saying that the only difference is that we can say in an NSCID precisely the same thing we would say in a DCID? If that's the case, then we want to make sure that the DCI understands this fine distinction. Second, you need to review the relevant NSCIDs for currency and consistency with EO 12333 and send me revised NSCID drafts against the day when we present this issue to the DCI for resolution. Third, the only identifiable NSC mechanism for issuing as intelligence directive is the SIG(I) of which the DCI is chairman. How do we manage the protocol of having the DCI issue directives to himself? Finally, isn't it high time that we all understand that DCI directives are Intelligence Community directives and not CIA regulations?

You raised one interesting possibility. How would you amend the Executive Order to fill the gaps between the order and the NSCIDs? This may be the easiest way out. Please advise.

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Walter Elder

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cc: OGC [redacted]

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